SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this Resolution.

[Note.—H. J. R. No. 41 was adopted by the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, and House concurred in Senate amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 103, nays 3; and was adopted by the Senate with amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 28, nays 0.]

Approved April 1, 1913.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION PRESCRIBING QUALIFICATIONS FOR DISTRICT JUDGES OF THIS STATE AND PRESCRIBING THEIR TENURE OF OFFICE.

## S. J. R. No. 11.] SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

A Joint Resolution amending Section 7, Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the creation and formation of judicial districts, the terms of compensation and qualification of the judges of the district courts, and the times of holding court.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 7, Article 5 be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 7. The State shall be divided into as many judicial districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law, which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election, one or more judges, each of whom shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a practicing lawyer of this State, or a judge of a court in this State for six years next preceding his election; who shall have resided in the district in which he was elected for two years next preceding his election; who shall reside in his district during his term of office; who shall hold his office for a period of four years, and shall receive for his services an annual salary of three thousand dollars, until otherwise changed by law. Court shall be held by a district judge at the county seat in each of the several counties at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by law. 'The Legislature shall provide for the holding of the district court when the judge thereof is absent, disabled or disqualified from acting. The district judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment.

SEC. 2. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at an election to be held on the 19th day of July, 1913, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas relating to district judges and district courts," and all voters opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of the

Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to district judges and district courts."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated to pay expenses for carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[Note.—S. J. R. No. 11 was passed by the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 22, nays 2, and Senate concurred in House amendment by a two-thirds vote, years 24, nays 0; and was passed by the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas 113, nays 0.]

Approved April 1, 1913.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION AMENDING SECTION 24, ARTICLE 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION INCREASING COMPENSATION OF THE LEGISLATURE AND EXTENDING LENGTH OF REGULAR SESSION.

## S. J. R. No. 26.] SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section No. 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to compensation for members of the Legislature.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That at the next general election of the State of Texas for the election of State officers, or at a previous general election, in case a general election for the State shall be sooner ordered by the Governor for other purposes, there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Texas, for their adoption or rejection, the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, as provided for in Section 1, Article 17 of said Constitution, relating to proposed amendments thereto, it being intended to amend Section 24, Article 3, of said Constitution, relating to the pay of members of the Legislature, and extension of term of regular sessions, so that the said Section shall read as follows:

Section 24. The members of the Legislature shall each receive from the public treasury as compensation for their services twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars for the year in which each regular session of the Legislature is held, payable in equal installments on the twentieth days of January, April, July and October of the year in which the regular session is held, and five dollars per day for each day of every special session held in the year next succeeding that in which any regular sessions is held. In addition to said compensation the members of each house shall be entitled to mileage going to and returning from the seat of government, which mileage shall not exceed five cents per mile, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct route of travel by land, regardless of railways or water routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of distances to each county seat, now or hereafter to be established, and by said table the mileage of each member shall be paid. Each regular session shall continue until the business of such session is disposed of.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to be voted upon by